

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Appl. No.: 09/834,573

Applicants: Robert T. BAUM, Eric A. VOIT

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Title: SIMPLE PEERING IN A TRANSPORT NETWORK EMPLOYING NOVEL

EDGE DEVICES

TC/A.U.: 2664

Examiner: Jamal A. Fox

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2005, which set a period for response to expire on May 23, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.